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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)
Plaintiff,	)
	) 2:12-CR-00281-JAD-CWH
vs.	) ECF No. 83
RICHARD S. NEISWONGER,	, )
Defendant.	)
	)

# STIPULATION TO CONTINUE SENTENCING (Fifteenth Request)

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among Dayle Elieson, United States Attorney ("USA"), John Patrick Burns, Assistant United States Attorney ("AUSA"), Solomon L. Wisenberg, Esq., and Peter Angulo, Esq., attorneys for Defendant Richard C.

Neiswonger, that the sentencing currently scheduled for August 10, 2018 be vacated and continued until October 10, 2018, or a date thereafter convenient to the Court.

The Stipulation is entered into for the following reasons:

1. This is the fifteenth request to continue Mr. Neiswonger's sentencing in this matter. The first request was made through stipulation of the parties on September 26, 2012 (Docket Entry 22) and was granted by the Court that same day (Docket Entry 22). The second request was made through stipulation of the parties on June 7, 2013 (Docket Entry 24) and was granted by the Court on June 7, 2013 (Docket Entry 25). The third request was made through stipulation of the parties on September 25, 2013 (Docket Entry 26) and was granted by the Court on September 26, 2013 (Docket Entry 27). The fourth request was made through stipulation of the parties on December 23, 2013 (Docket Entry 30) and was granted by the Court on December 26, 2013 (Docket Entry 31). The fifth request was made through stipulation of the parties on March 14, 2014 (Docket Entry 32) and was granted by the Court on March 19, 2014 (Docket Entry 33). The sixth request was made through stipulation of the parties on June 18, 2014 (Docket Entry 41) and was granted by the Court on June 18, 2014 (Docket Entry 42). The seventh request was made through stipulation of the parties on December 4, 2014 (Docket Entry 43) and was granted by the Court on December 9, 2014 (Docket Entry 46). The eighth request was made through stipulation of the parties on May 15, 2015 (Docket Entry 48) and was granted by the Court on May 18, 2015 (Docket Entry 49). The ninth request was made through stipulation of the parties on October 12, 2015 (Docket Entry 50) and was granted by the Court on October 13, 2015 (Docket Entry 51). The tenth request was made through stipulation of the parties on March 9, 2016 (Docket Entry 52) and was granted by the Court on the same day (Docket Entry 53). The eleventh request was made by stipulation of the parties on December 12, 2016 (Docket Entry 66) and was granted by the Court on the same day (Docket Entry 67). The twelfth request was made by stipulation of the parties on June 19, 2017 (Docket Entry 68) and was granted by the Court on the same day (Docket Entry 69). The thirteenth request was made by stipulation of the parties on December 19, 2017 (Docket Entry 76) and was granted by the Court on the same day (Docket Entry 77). The fourteenth request was made by stipulation of the parties on March 26, 2018 (Docket Entry 80) and was granted by the Court on the same day (Docket Entry 81).

- 2. The additional time requested herein is not sought for purposes of delay.
- 3. In late October 2015, Shannon Neiswonger, Mr. Neiswonger's wife, suffered a serious, life-threatening and debilitating brain injury. On November 27, 2017, the Court granted Mrs. Neiswonger's unopposed motion for competency evaluation (Docket Entry 71). On March 5, 2018, the Government filed the Government's Rule 48 Motion to Dismiss the Information as to Shannon Neiswonger (Docket Entry 78). On March 6, 2018, the Court dismissed the Information against Mrs. Neiswonger (Docket Entry 79).
- 4. The U.S. Probation Office and the parties agree that, in light of events occurring in the four and one-half years since the original Draft Presentence Investigation Report (PSR) was completed, including Mrs. Neiswonger's medical injuries and issues, Mr. Neiswonger's sentencing will need to be continued. The parties have conferred and reached an agreement with the U.S. Probation Office regarding the timetable for completing and responding to the Probation Office's updated draft PSR, which undersigned counsel is due to receive shortly.
- 5. Mr. Neiswonger's lead counsel, Solomon L. Wisenberg, needs additional time to investigate all of the sentencing factors contained in 18 U.S.C. §§ 3553(a) and 3661,

particularly the nature and circumstances of the offense and the history and characteristics of Mr. Neiswonger, including his full cooperation, so that he can prepare a Sentencing Memorandum and otherwise effectively represent Mr. Neiswonger at the Sentencing Hearing pursuant to the Sixth Amendment. There are voluminous interview reports and other historical documents that need to be reviewed. This is also true with respect to Case Number 2:11-CR-00247-JAD-CWH, which is related to the instant matter and is currently set for sentencing on the same date. Mr. Wisenberg represents Mr. Neiswonger in Case Number 2:11-CR-00247-JAD-CWH and will be filing a Stipulation to Continue Sentencing in Case Number 2:11-CR-00247-JAD-CWH as well. Continuing the sentencing in both cases will conserve judicial, prosecutorial, and defense resources.

6. For the above stated reasons, the ends of justice would best be served by a continuance of the sentencing date until October 10, 2018 or a date thereafter convenient to the Court.

**DATED** this 2nd day of July, 2018.

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#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

Based upon the pending Stipulation of counsel, and good cause appearing therefore, the Court finds that:

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Sentencing Hearing pursuant to the Sixth Amendment. There are voluminous interview

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**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** 

1. For the above stated reasons, the ends of justice would best be served by a continuance of

the sentencing date until October 10, 2018, or a date thereafter convenient to the Court.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the sentencing currently scheduled for August 10,

2018, be vacated and continued to October 15, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

DATED: 7/6/2018

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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